



2011 Northwest Montana Fair



"FFA" & "4-H" DIVISION

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PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED! REGISTRATION DUE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1st

All mailed entry forms must be
postmarked August 1st
Enter online at www.nwmtfair.com

Absolutely NO LATE ENTRIES will be accepted.
ID number on the livestock registration & exhibitor
tag must be the same as the
number on the animal being shown.

EXHIBITOR AND VEHICLE FEED PASSES

A vehicle feed pass must be obtained from the Fair Office. The pass is for the vehicle only and allows the vehicle onto the grounds during the hours of 7:00—9:00 a.m. for the purpose of bringing feed and equipment for livestock and for parking in the North Lot. Drivers of the vehicles and all passengers over the age of 12 must also obtain an Exhibitor Pass for \$15.00. Vehicles must enter through the Meridian Gate on the west side of the grounds and must be removed from the fairgrounds by 9:00 a.m.

The Exhibitor Pass is valid all days of the Fair.

GENERAL RULES

- Boys and girls who are bonafide members of either 4-H or FFA may enter under their respective Department. All FFA projects will be entered under Department F and all 4-H projects will be entered under Department 4H.

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- In order to be eligible to take a market sheep and hog project, a new member must be 8 years and up as of Oct. 1, 2010.
- In order to be eligible to take a market beef project, a member must be 10 years old as of October 1, 2010.
- Pre-juniors are not yet 11 years old on October 1, 2010. Juniors are not yet 13 years old on October 1, 2010, and seniors are 13 and older as of October 1, 2010.
- Any boy or girl regularly enrolled in either FFA or 4-H in the five county area of Flathead, Lake, Lincoln, Sanders, or Glacier counties is eligible to enter an exhibit.
- Exhibits must be in place by 9:00 p.m. Monday, except as noted otherwise. There is no official supervision of exhibits until 8:00 a.m. Monday. Early entries do so at their own risk.
- Market Lamb, Hogs and Beef must be physically in the Trade Center on weigh-in day.

Lambs	8:00 a.m.
Hogs	9:00 a.m.
Beef	2:00 p.m.

- Weigh-in times are as follows:

Monday of Fair Week

Market Lamb	8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
Market Hog	9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Market Beef	3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

If a project member is unable to be present with his or her own animal, arrangements must be made for someone else to take the animal across the scale.



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9. Exhibits shall be from the exhibitor's current year's work or produce except where specifically noted otherwise.
10. Judging will be done on the Danish Group System and blue, red and white ribbons will be awarded only to meritorious exhibits.
11. No livestock exhibit may be removed until 6:00 p.m. Sunday, except as noted for horses, llamas, dogs, dairy cattle, goats, rabbits, pocket pals and market animals. Tack boxes and animal equipment must not be removed before 4:30 p.m. on Sunday. Youth are responsible for feeding all their livestock (market animals included) through Sunday, 6:00 p.m.
12. Department FFA & 4-H—all livestock exhibits are eligible to enter in the open class competition. Pre-registration is required and they must be entered under open class rules and regulations and meet criteria.
13. No more than one entry can be made in any class number by the same exhibitor, except as may be noted in section or class rules.
14. Use of tranquilizers or drugs on livestock before or during the fair will not be permitted. Code of Ethics & Commitment to Excellence forms must be signed by exhibitor and parent and on file with either 4-H or FFA Office.
15. Exhibitors in Departments FFA & 4-H shall care for, fit and show their own animals at the fair. An animal and member can be disqualified by Extension Agent or FFA advisor if someone other than the member consistently cares for or prepares the animal for showing. **EXCEPTIONS:** In the event of an unavoidable emergency, another eligible 4-H/FFA member may care for the animal, but only with the permission of the 4-H Extension Agent or FFA Advisor.
16. Members must be enrolled in the project in which they exhibit.
17. A neck rope tie in addition to the usual halter for Dairy and Beef is required.
18. All animals exhibited will be clean, fitted, in healthy weight, hoofs trimmed.
19. Except as noted otherwise, animals must have been owned or leased by the 4-H member prior to June 1 of the current year.
20. Protests over the eligibility of a member or animal to compete, if made before the actual judging starts, will be referred to the Livestock Protests Committee made up of a FFA Advisor, 4-H Extension Agent, the division livestock superintendent and Fair representatives. Protests after judging, or if satisfaction is not gained above, will then revert to General Fair Rules and Regulations.
21. Any time 4-H/FFA members are showing or selling their animals, acceptable dress shall be shirt (not T-shirt), full shoes or boots, (no sandals, canvas tennis shoes, etc.), long pants, and neat and clean. Individual departments may have Showmanship dress requirements.
22. Barn superintendents to post schedule with Showmanship first, (Senior to precede Junior) then Market Classes, and Breeding.
23. Livestock feeding times will be from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. and from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. each day of fair.

BREED ASSOCIATION AWARDS

Neither the Fair Board nor the Extension Office accept the responsibility to see that the exhibitor receives the award, nor do either guarantee the eligibility of winners for any special award. The association should have a representative on hand during judging, otherwise it will be necessary for the exhibitor to contact the associates involved.

ANGUS—Grand Champion Market Steer. The Western Montana Angus Association will award \$50 cash if the steer is sired by a registered Black Angus bull.

Overall Breeds Grand Champion Female. The Western Montana Angus Association will award \$50 cash if it is a registered Black Angus owned by the exhibitor and shown in his or her home county.

HEREFORD—Grand Champion Steer. Providing the Overall Grand Champion Market Steer is properly documented as a Hereford, the Montana Hereford Association will award a Hereford Windbreaker jacket.

Top Steer of Merit (at least 50% Hereford ancestry) The Montana Hereford Association will award a Hereford Windbreaker jacket.

Supreme Champion Female. If purebred Hereford, the Montana Hereford Association will award a Hereford Windbreaker jacket.

Champion Hereford Steer or Female. If purebred Hereford, the Montana Hereford Association will award a Hereford Windbreaker jacket.

GENERAL RULES FOR MARKET LIVESTOCK PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED!

1. If an animal is clearly unmanageable or dangerous, the barn superintendent shall notify the 4-H Agent and FFA Advisors, and a decision will be made whether to send the animal back to its stall or pen or removed from the grounds. Animals will not be judged in the stall/pen.
2. Separate entry tags must be made for each animal at the time of entry. Brand Papers must accompany BEEF entries at weigh-in.
3. All market stock will remain the exhibitor's responsibility until loaded for buyer's disposition on Sunday. All ribbons won remain the property of the exhibitor and do not, under any circumstances, become the property of the purchaser of the animal.
4. No exhibitor shall exhibit or sell more than one animal at the Market Livestock Sale.



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5. Both 4-H and FFA members must complete market seminar educational requirements and record keeping requirements in order to be eligible to enter in the Market Sale and resulting Carcass Contest. No white ribbon animals are eligible to be in the sale.
6. The market livestock sale on Saturday, August 20, is sponsored by the Agribusiness Committee of the Kalispell Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with Flathead 4-H Clubs and FFA chapters, but accepts no liability on behalf of either the seller or buyer.
7. Sale fee of \$25 for market beef and market lamb and a sale fee of \$30 for market hog to be sold at the sale will be paid prior to weigh-in time and used for promotional advertising of the market sale and all additional expenses associated with the sale.
 - Sale fees are paid at the sale table set up in the area of the scales. No animals will be weighed unless sale fee has been paid first. If the 4H/FFA member is unable to be there, he/she may have someone else pay the sale fee and weigh in the market animal.
 - If an exhibitor is not in line with his/her market animal, in proper sale order, the animal will not be sold!
8. Sale fee only will be refunded if your animal does not make weight. The \$5 carcass evaluation fee will not be refunded.
9. Animals are judged as to the production of "high-quality edible meat without superfluous fat," to the end that the animals on foot shall ultimately produce first-quality carcasses.
 - Barn Superintendents to post SCHEDULE of show order with Showmanship first, (Seniors to precede Juniors) then Market Classes and Breeding.
10. Short scrotum castration techniques not acceptable in market animals.
11. All market livestock shall be allowed to weigh in only one time. If an animal is over or underweight; it will be removed from the scale, the scale rebalanced and the animal weighed again immediately. This weight will be the official recorded weight. No exceptions and no late weighs! Absolutely no running of livestock in an effort to reduce weight before weigh-in time.
12. Because of the increased "traffic" on sale day, Saturday, all stalls must be cleaned by 7:00 a.m.
13. Animals that do not make weight or that have received a white ribbon in the Market Class will NOT be sold in the Market Sale. Only blues and reds sell in the Market Sale. Any animals not eligible for the Market Sale, must be removed from the Fairgrounds by 6:00 p.m. Wednesday of Fair Week.
14. There is not a buy-back option for Market Livestock members selling their animal at the Northwest Fair.

DEPARTMENT "4H/FFA ML" MARKET LIVESTOCK SHOW & SALE

SECTION 1000 MARKET BEEF SHOW & SALE

PREMIUMS
Blue, \$7.00; Red, \$5.00; White, \$3.00

(Only Blues & Reds sell in the market sale)

Class No:

1. MARKET BEEF:

- a. **Once an animal is judged, it must sell unless withdrawn from sale before judging time.** Exhibitor must notify barn superintendent before judging time. **Minimum weight, 1,050 pounds; maximum weight, 1,450 pounds. Animals must have been born in the previous year. All market beef overweight or underweight at time of weigh-in will not be judged in market, but they may be used in the Showmanship Classes by exhibitor. Animals who do not make weight or who have received a white ribbon in the Market Class will NOT be sold in the Market Sale. Any animals not eligible for the Market Sale must be removed from the Fairgrounds by 6:00 p.m. Wednesday of Fair Week.
- b. Only steers and spayed heifers will be permitted to enter competition. A certificate from a registered veterinarian stating the date must accompany the entry of spayed heifers.
- c. Purebreds, grades and crossbreds are all eligible.
- d. A market beef to be eligible to enter this class must be ear tagged by 4-H/FFA/Ag Committee, then have that ear tag number and the member's name on file at the Flathead County Extension Office by December 13th of the current year. Any one exhibitor may ear tag a maximum of two animals under this program. The ear tag number must be the same number on the entry tag and the registration forms.
- e. Market Beef may be judged by an individual judge, an accepted system of station judging, or team of judges.
- f. The exhibitor shall leave on the animal a suitable halter. Halters should be labeled and may be picked up at the barn after the animals are loaded Sunday.
- g. Ribbons used will be blue and red to indicate top market grade, with white used to designate under or over-finished animals. Only blue and red sell in the sale.
- h. A rosette will be presented to the Grand and Reserve Champion Market Beef. The Top Ten animals under the Grand and Reserve Champions will receive a special award ribbon.



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SECTION 1000 MARKET LAMB SHOW & SALE

PREMIUMS
Blue, \$5.00; Red, \$4.00; White, \$2.00

(Only Blues & Reds sell in the market sale)

Class No.

2. MARKET LAMB

- Once animal is judged, it must sell unless withdrawn from sale before judging time. Exhibitor must notify barn superintendent before judging time.
- Minimum weight, 110 pounds; maximum weight, 160 pounds.
- Only ewe or wether lambs qualify. All market lambs overweight or underweight at time of weigh-in will not be judged in Market, but they may be used in the Showmanship Classes by exhibitor.
- Lambs will be judged in accordance with market grades and Grand Champion and Reserve Champion lambs will be selected. The Top Ten animals under the Grand and Reserve Champions will receive a special award ribbon.
- All lambs must be slick shorn within 5 days before the show day and shall be reasonably fitted.
- Lambs to be eligible to show must be ear tagged by 4-H/FFA/Ag Committee and the ear tag number and member's name to be file at the Extension Office by May 31st. The ear tag number must be the same number on the entry tag and the registration forms.

SECTION 1000 MARKET HOGS SHOW & SALE

PREMIUMS
Blue, \$5.00; Red, \$4.00; White, \$2.00

(Only Blues & Reds sell in the market sale)

Class No.

3. MARKET HOGS

- Once animal is judged, it must sell unless withdrawn from sale before judging time. Exhibitor must notify barn superintendent before judging time.
- Only pigs farrowed during the current year will be permitted to enter competition in this division.
- All hogs must be properly fitted to compete.
- All market hogs will be judged in accordance with market grades.
- Minimum weight, 220 pounds; maximum weight, 285 pounds. All market hogs underweight and overweight at time of weigh-in will not be judged, but they may be used in the Showmanship Classes by exhibitor.
- Grand Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected. The Top Ten animals under the Grand and Reserve Champions will receive a special award ribbon.
- Market hogs to be eligible to show, shall be ear

tagged by 4H/FFA/Ag Committee and have that ear tag number and member's name on record at the Extension Office by May 3rd. The ear tag number must be the same number on the entry tag and the registration forms.

DEPARTMENT "4H/FFA LS" MARKET LIVESTOCK SHOWMANSHIP

SECTION 1990 BEEF SHOWMANSHIP

PREMIUMS
Blue, \$5.00; Red, \$4.00; White, \$2.00

(For dress regulations, please refer to General Rules for Livestock Showmanship)

Class No.

- Junior Beef Showman**
 - Senior Beef Showman**
 - Junior Novice Beef Showman:** An exhibitor who is under the age of 13 years by October 1, 2010 and have enrolled in the 4-H/FFA beef project for two years or less. In the event that there are less than 5 exhibitors enrolled in this class, the Senior & Junior Novice classes will be combined.
 - Senior Novice Beef Showman:** An exhibitor who is 13 years old by October 1, 2010 and enrolled in the 4-H/FFA beef project for two years or less. In the event that there are less than 5 exhibitors enrolled in this class, the Senior & Junior Novice classes will be combined.
- All Novice exhibitors may not cross enter into any of the above showman classes. Novice Showmen are not eligible for Round Robin competition.

SECTION 1990 SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP

PREMIUMS
Blue, \$5.00; Red, \$4.00; White, \$2.00

(For dress regulations, please refer to General Rules for Livestock Showmanship)

Class No.

- Junior Sheep Showman**
- Senior Sheep Showman**
- Junior Novice Sheep Showman:** An exhibitor who is under the age of 13 years by October 1, 2010 and have enrolled in the 4-H/FFA sheep project for two years or less. In the event that there are less than 5 exhibitors enrolled in this class, the Senior & Junior Novice classes will be combined.
- Senior Novice Sheep Showman:** an exhibitor who is 13 years old by October 1, 2010 and enrolled in the 4-H/FFA sheep project for two years or less. In the event that there are less than 5 exhibitors



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enrolled in this class, the Senior & Junior Novice classes will be combined.

- **All Novice exhibitors may not cross enter into any of the above showman classes. Novice showmen are not eligible for Round Robin competition.**

SECTION 1990 HOG SHOWMANSHIP

PREMIUMS
Blue, \$5.00; Red, \$4.00; White, \$2.00

(For dress regulations, please refer to General Rules for Livestock Showmanship)

Class No.

9. **Junior Hog Showman**
10. **Senior Hog Showman**
11. **Junior Novice Hog Showman** – an exhibitor who is under the age of 13 years by October 1, 2010 and have enrolled in the 4-H/FFA hog project for two years or less. In the event that there are less than 5 exhibitors enrolled in this class, the Senior & Junior Novice classes will be combined.
12. **Senior Novice Hog Showman** - an exhibitor who is 13 years old by October 1, 2010 and enrolled in the 4-H/FFA hog project for two years or less. In the event that there are less than 5 exhibitors enrolled in this class, the Senior & Junior Novice classes will be combined.

***All Novice exhibitors may not cross-enter into any of the above showman classes. Novice showmen are not eligible for Round Robin competition.**

**DEPARTMENT "4H/FFA MC"
MARKET ANIMAL CARCASS CONTEST**

SECTION 1100 MARKET ANIMAL CARCASS

1. Only those animals entered in the Market Livestock Show and Sale classes are eligible to enter the Carcass Contest. Carcass evaluations are educational tools to help youth in future selection and feeding programs. All entries must abide by the rules set up in the Market Livestock Show and Sale division of the fair as well as those set up by the Ag/Livestock Committee. It will not be possible to do carcass evaluations on animals marked for "resale" that are sent out of the Valley, unless ultra-sounded.
2. The beef carcasses will be evaluated by certified judges at the slaughter house coolers during the week following the close of the fair. Carcass judging will be based on generally accepted measurable and visual criteria.
3. Hogs are judged on the MSU/Ultra Value Swine program criteria using ultrascan. Beef evaluation is based on the MSU/MT Stock Growers' Steer of Merit program criteria. These program criteria are available from the MSU Extension/Flathead 4-H

Office.

4. Carcass placing is not on the Danish system. A first through fourth will be selected in each class number.

<u>Class No.</u>		1st	2nd	3rd	4th
1.	Beef Carcass	\$25	\$20	\$15	Ribbon
2.	Lamb Carcass	\$15	\$10	\$5	Ribbon
3.	Hog Carcass	\$15	\$10	\$5	Ribbon

BEEF CARCASS CHAMPION Plaque
Courtesy of Vandevanter Meats

RESERVE CHAMPION Plaque

Courtesy of Frey's Meats & Custom Cutting

LAMB CARCASS CHAMPION Plaque

Courtesy of Lower Valley Processing

RESERVE CHAMPION. Plaque

Courtesy of Smith Valley Boosters 4-H Club

SWINE CARCASS CHAMPION. Plaque

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RESERVE CHAMPION. Plaque

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